CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A facsimile machine connectable to PSTN and another network and adapted to receive data from a data transmitter over the another network and transfer the data to a recipient, comprising:

a memory for storing delivery conditions, including whether or not a request for data transfer should be accepted, in accordance with at least part of an address of a data transmitter; and

a control unit for determining whether the request for data transfer should be accepted, based on the address of the data transmitter and the delivery conditions.

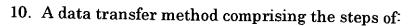
2. A facsimile machine connectable to PSTN and another network and adapted to receive data from a data transmitter over the another network and transfer the data to a recipient comprising:

a memory for delivery conditions including recipients registered in accordance with at least part of an address of a data transmitter; and

a control unit for determining a recipient of data, based on the address of the data transmitter and the delivery conditions, and transferring the data to the determined recipient.

- 3. The facsimile machine of claim 2, wherein the delivery conditions include day and time of data transfer.
- 4. The facsimile machine of claim 1, wherein the another network includes LAN and internet, the data is an e-mail, and the control unit accepts the request for data transfer if the e-mail is received over LAN and does not accept the request for data transfer if the e-mail is received over the internet.

- 5. The facsimile machine of claim 2, wherein the recipient is specified by a facsimile number or e-mail address.
- 6. The facsimile machine of claim 2, wherein the controller can transfer the data to a plurality of recipients.
- 7. The facsimile machine of claim 6, wherein the recipients are specified by facsimile numbers and e-mail addresses.
- 8. The facsimile machine of claim 2, wherein the recipients include a printer connected to the another network.
- 9. The facsimile machine of claim 1, wherein the data is printed when the request for data transfer is refused.



- A) receiving data over a network; and
- B) determining whether the data should be transferred to a designated recipient based on predetermined delivery conditions and an address of a data transmitter.
- 11. The data transfer method of claim 10 further including the step of transferring the data to the designated recipient according to determination made in the step B.
- 12. The data transfer method of claim 10, wherein the predetermined delivery conditions include day and time of data transfer.
- 13. The data transfer method of claim 10, wherein the network includes LAN and internet, the data is an e-mail, and the step B determines that the data should be transferred if the e-mail is received over LAN and that the data should not be transferred if the e-mail is received over the internet.
- 14. The data transfer method of claim 10, wherein the recipient is a printer connected to the network.
- 15. The data transfer method of claim 10 further including the step of printing the data when the step B determines that the data should not be transferred.

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